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**Duke Energy Sponsors Free Day for *The Beyond: Georgia O’Keeffe and Contemporary Art* Exhibition on Monday, December 3**

*Visitors must reserve free tickets in advance online at [ncartmuseum.org/freeday](http://ncartmuseum.org/freeday)*

**Raleigh, N.C.**—Duke Energy is sponsoring free entry to ticketed special exhibitions *The Beyond: Georgia O’Keeffe and Contemporary Art* and *Candida Höfer in Mexico* at the North Carolina Museum of Art on Monday, December 3. Normally closed on Mondays, the Museum’s East Building will be open for visitors from noon to 8 pm.

A limited number of timed tickets are available to reserve beginning Monday, November 26 at [ncartmuseum.org/freeday](http://ncartmuseum.org/freeday). Past free days have been very popular and reach capacity in advance, so visitors must reserve a ticket before Monday, December 3. No tickets will be available at the door.

“The North Carolina Museum of Art continues to bring world-renowned art directly to North Carolina,” said Stephen De May, Duke Energy’s North Carolina president. “We’re excited to partner with the Museum to make this special exhibition free for all art lovers to enjoy.”



*The Beyond* features 35 works of art by O’Keeffe, including floral paintings, cityscapes, and desert scenes. Alongside her work is sculpture, photography, a mural, and more by emerging artists [Louise Jones](#), [Anna Valdez](#), [Caroline Larsen](#), [Britny Wainwright](#), and others who evoke and expand upon O’Keeffe’s innovative artistic language.

*The Beyond* is ticketed with *Candida Höfer in Mexico*, a stunning exhibition of 25 large-scale “portraits” of buildings throughout Mexico.

Duke Energy is also sponsoring [Winter Family Fun Friday: Flower Power](#), coming up Friday, December 14, at 5 pm. Families can come celebrate the season ’60s-style at the NCMA’s beloved annual winter event, complete with a visit from Santa.

**Image caption:**

A visitor stands in front of Cynthia Daignault’s *Light Atlas*, 2015, part of *The Beyond: Georgia O’Keeffe and Contemporary Art* at the North Carolina Museum of Art.

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### **About the North Carolina Museum of Art**

The North Carolina Museum of Art's permanent collection spans more than 5,000 years, from ancient Egypt to the present, making the institution one of the premier art museums in the South. The Museum's collection provides educational, aesthetic, intellectual, and cultural experiences for the citizens of North Carolina and beyond. The 164-acre Museum Park showcases the connection between art and nature through site-specific works of environmental art. The Museum offers changing national touring exhibitions, classes, lectures, family activities, films, and concerts.

The Museum opened West Building, home to the permanent collection, in 2010. The North Carolina Museum of Art, Valerie Hillings, director, is located at 2110 Blue Ridge Road in Raleigh. It is the art museum of the State of North Carolina, Roy Cooper, governor, and an agency of the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Susi Hamilton, secretary.

### **About Duke Energy**

The Duke Energy Foundation provides philanthropic support to address the needs of communities where its customers live and work. The foundation contributes more than \$33 million annually in charitable gifts. The foundation's education focus spans kindergarten to career—particularly science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM)—as well as early childhood literacy and workforce development. The foundation also supports environmental projects and community impact initiatives, including arts and culture. Duke Energy employees and retirees actively contribute to their communities as volunteers and leaders with a wide variety of nonprofit organizations. Duke Energy is committed to building on its legacy of community service. For more information visit [duke-energy.com/foundation](http://duke-energy.com/foundation).

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